

CANOE TRIPS
QUALIFICATIONS - ALLOTMENTS - COST - INSTRUCTIONS - PERSONNEL LIST

I. WHO MAY GO

- A. LEADERSHIP - At least one Adult Leader (at least 21 years of age) from each Troop or Unit (at least one adult leader for 16 canoeists). They must be expert canoeists, Senior ARC Life Savers, know and use the Eight Defense Plan for all swimming activities. If the Adult Leader cannot qualify as the technical expert, a trained Ranger can be assigned to the trip. The Ranger is not a substitute for the Adult Leadership. Each Troop must have adult home leadership on the trip, who has been approved by the PROGRAM COUNSELOR AND CAMP DIRECTOR.
- B. ALL MEMBERS OF A CANOE TRIP MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Shall have completed canoeing Merit Badge or be a member of the Canoeing instruction group.
 2. Checked by Local Camp Health Officer for physical fitness.
 3. Ability to meet the requirements of canoe trip standards as outlined on page 3 of this form.
Pine - Manistee River Trips are reserved for qualified Explorer Scouts only (14 years of age or older). No exceptions, please.
- C. REFRESHER REVIEW - Must be taken by all Canoe Trip Personnel before going on the trip. It shall consist of the following:
1. Care of equipment and using allotted equipment only.
 2. What to bring - (See our suggested check list).
 3. How to pack - making a canoe camp - fire control - care of food.
 4. Demonstrate actual canoeing ability, strokes and canoe control to a Ranger Staffman, as outlined under canoe trip standards, F138F.
 5. Order of Canoes on the River - Lead or first canoe shall be manned by the 2nd Trip Leader. He should know his way, set a pace suited for the slowest paddlers of the group. He shall also keep all canoeists in sight and in back of his canoe. The LAST CANOE of the trip shall contain two extra paddles, First Aid Kit, ambroid (for patching), binders twine, and 50 feet of emergency rope. This canoe to be manned by the most experienced Trip Leader. BE PREPARED FOR ANY EMERGENCY. In emergency, phone Owasippe Office - Whitehall 2-1215 or State Police.

II. ALLOTMENTS

- A. For Camps Beard, Blackhawk, Stuart, West, Wilderness for White River Overnight Trips only - Scott's Gully to Canoe Landing.
First Week - Tuesday thru Friday - one trip per day.
Second Week - Sunday thru Thursday - one trip per day.
- B. Lone Troop Camps - may arrange for canoe trips by notifying Program Director in writing two weeks prior to coming to camp.
- C. Longer Canoe Trips - are only available when necessary canoes and transportation facilities may be had.
- D. Unfilled Allotments will only be held to the third day of the period. Then the trips are on a first come, first served basis. Thus making full use of our equipment.

F138a Use - 100 copies for Ranger Manual

50 copies for Program Counselors' Kits

Balance for General Use - In-town planning meeting and at camp.

- D. Unfilled allotments will only be held to the third day of the period. Then the trips are on a first come, first served basis, thus making full use of our equipment.

III. PRICE LIST - Trips listed in order of difficulty.

<u>River</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<u># Canoes</u>	<u># Persons</u>	<u>Cost</u>
White	Scott's Gully	Canoe Land.	4	11	\$14.00
White	" "	"	5	14	17.50
White	"	"	6	17	21.00
(Three day trips when equipment is available)					
White	Taylor Bridge	Whitehall	6	17	25.00
Muskegon	Newaygo	US 31-Bridge	6	17	35.00
Muskegon	Hardy Dam	Bridgeton	6	17	40.00
Muskegon	Croton Dam	Maple Island	6	17	40.00
Pere Marquette	Baldwin	Ludington Br.	6	17	50.00
(For qualified Explorers only)					
Pine-Manistee	Skookum Br.	Tippy Dam	6	17	60.00

Note: See Canoe Trip Descriptions - Muskegon, F. 152, Pere Marquette, F. 151, Pine-Manistee, F. 153.

Fees charged are to partially cover the cost of transportation.

IV. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS - TO COVER PARTIAL COST OF TRANSPORTATION.

- A. Money to be turned in to Local Camp Clerk, who will issue a Miscellaneous Receipt, properly filled in with Leader's name, unit # and marked "Canoe Trip."
- B. The Miscellaneous Receipt and money must be turned in with the Local Camp's daily returns.
- C. The Local Camp Clerk shall fill in and certify by signing the bottom of each Personnel List. Form 138E.

- V. PERSONNEL LIST - Form 138E - properly certified and approved, must be at the Owasippe Program Office by noon of the day before the trip. Two small trips or units may combine in order to have a full trip. Both Units must have adult home leadership on the entire trip. Responsibility of the Program Counselor.

VI. USE THIS CHECK LIST

- () First Aid Kit - Every Troop should have one.
- () Duluth Packs - From Ranger - Cooking gear, eating utensils, trench shovel, axe, matches, toilet paper, binders twine or emergency rope (Eight Defense Plan).
- () Food - From Factor. Use Form 41. Order 48 hours in advance. Packed ready to go 11:A.M. day of trip, except for meats. They should be packed just before leaving.
- () Personal Needs - A Scout is prepared. Wear long trousers, long sleeved shirt, soft soled shoes, sweater and neckerchief. Bring canteen filled with water, pack, ground cloth, 3 heavy blankets or equivalent, mosquito netting, toilet kit, notebook and pencil. Optional: Fishing gear, camera. Use duffle bag, haversack or waterproof cloth to pack your gear.

VII. START OF TRIPS - From Local Camp; 1:00 to 3:00 P.M., according to assignments as determined by the availability of transportation facilities.

VIII. FINISH OF TRIPS -

- A. Overnight White River Trips (Canoe Landing). Aim to be at end of trip by 9:45 A.M. for first trips out and no later than 10:30 A.M. for last trips out, thus enabling your group to be back in camp for a hot lunch. Also, we then have time to haul the canoes back for the afternoon trips going out.
- B. Longer trips, as arranged for.
- C. Study your map and time schedule. Your thoughtfulness and cooperation will mark you as a LEADER.

IX. GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICY

- A. The Scout Law shall be the law of the trip - all twelve parts.
- B. Many of our set-in campsites and take-out points are not owned by us and are only leased to us provided we keep them clean. Use Scout-like conduct, keep gates closed. Let's keep away from all buildings, wells, and springs. They may be contaminated. FILL CANTEENS AT CAMP.
- C. Adult leaders to have Scouts under control at all times. Watch the language, don't let it slip. All damages must be paid for. Enuff said.

X. USE THE GOLDEN RULE

- A. The adult leaders on canoe trips are responsible for the speed maintained by the truck drivers. If he does not adhere to your instructions, a written report should be made to the Director of Program, giving full details.
- B. Attention is directed to the desirability of a Leader (Junior or Senior) in the cab. His presence will serve as a reminder and a caution to the truck driver. This Leader will also serve as a witness. It is very important to have one adult leader ride in the truck body with the Scouts. Boys are unknown quantities and do the most unexpected, unnecessary, unbelievable things at times.
- C. Each truck's dashboard or speedometer is marked for Maximum Speed.

20 MPH	In Camp or narrow one track roads
30 to 35 MPH	Gravel or sand two-track roads
45 MPH	Highway

APPROX. CRUISING TIME.

SCOTT'S GULLY TO		
①	TO	= 1 HOUR
②	TO	= 2 1/2 HOURS
③	TO	= 1/2 HOUR

TO CANOE LANDING = 3 HOURS

IN EMERGENCY

PHONE - O W A S I P P E O F F I C E
W H I T E H A L L - 2 1 2 1 5



RE:

TROOP CANOE TRIP
PERSONNEL LIST

This form, properly certified and approved, MUST be at the Owasippe Office (Program) by NOON the day before the trip and accepted by: (O.O. Approval) _____

LOCAL CAMP NAME _____ DATE OF START _____ DATE OF FINISH _____ RIVER _____

FULL NAME	Swim Points	Unit No.	FULL NAME	Swim Points	Unit No.
1.			9.		
2.			10.		
3.			11.		
4.			12.		
5.			13.		
6.			14.		
7.			15.		
8. Ranger (if needed)			16. QUALIFIED LEADER-21 or over 17.		

I have read the Instructions for Canoe Trips (F - 138abc) and I shall endeavor to fulfill them to the best of my ability so as to protect and safeguard those campers in my care. Pine River Qualified Explorers Canoe Trip must include age of each Scout.

Unit # _____
Signature of Adult Troop Leader of trip _____

Above Campers are physically fit: _____

Above Campers have completed the _____
Refresher Review as outlined: _____

All information on this Personnel List is correct and in order. All Leaders and Canoeists are fully qualified. Approved by: _____

PROGRAM COUNSELOR OR CAMP DIRECTOR

TO BE FILLED IN AND SIGNED BY LOCAL CAMP CLERK

Fees paid in full to cover partial cost of transportation.

Amount Paid \$ _____ Misc. Receipt # \$ _____ No. Canoes _____ No. Scouts _____

No. Qualified Leaders _____ Signed _____
Local Camp Clerk

CANOE TRIP STANDARDS
Boy Scouts of America
Chicago Council -- 9 W. Washington St.

These are canoe trip standards. They are to be used and strictly enforced on all trips up and down streams, across lakes and bays to overcome the danger of possible upset and swamping of canoes whether caused by conditions of water or weather, mishandling, poor judgment, or any other reason.

(These minimum standards are to be heeded by all boys who wish to take canoe trips under the jurisdiction of the Boy Scouts of America, Chicago Council, who do not have in their possession an American Red Cross card showing they have passed the American Red Cross basic Canoeing or have in their possession proof of their having passed the Boy Scout Merit badge on Canoeing; or a card showing they have passed the minimum requirements as listed below under an authorized instructor within the last 12 months.

1. Swimming ability

Swim 75 yards any stroke in a strong manner and 25 yards on the back in an easy resting stroke.

2. Personal safety training

- A. Swamp a canoe and help bring it in by hanging on and swimming ashore, wearing complete camping gear.
- B. Jump out and climb back in to the canoe without swamping it.
- C. Get in and out of a swamped canoe without letting the canoe roll.
- D. Rescue the swamped canoe in an approved method.

Hang on! Every person should actually swamp a canoe and help bring it in by hanging on and swimming it to shore.

Out and In! Every person going on the canoe trip should practice jumping out and climbing into a canoe without swamping it.

3. Canoe handling

Know the general safety rules about wind and weather and be able to pass the canoe stroking.

4. Be able to paddle in an approved kneeling position.

5. A life vest or jacket for every person on the trip.

6. No person - boy or adult - who cannot pass the minimum standards should go on a canoe trip unless he is required to wear a life vest all times while in the canoe.